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House Resolution 230

By: Representatives Channell of the 116th, Hudson of the 124th, and Parham of the 141th

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending Spc. Vincent Hancock, United States Army, Olympic gold medal winner from
- 2 Putnam County, and inviting him to appear before the House of Representatives; and for
- 3 other purposes.
- 4 WHEREAS, in August, 2008, 19-year-old Vincent Hancock became Putnam County's first
- 5 Olympic medalist when he won the gold medal for skeet shooting at the 2008 Summer
- 6 Olympics in Beijing, China; and
- 7 WHEREAS, he was ranked in first place heading into the final round at the Olympic games
- 8 after hitting 121 out of a possible 125 targets in the qualification round, which set a new
- 9 Olympic record; he shot 24 targets in the final to finish tied with Norway's Tore Brovold;
- both shooters hit their first pair in the first shoot off, and in the second shoot off, Brovold
- 11 missed one of his targets, while Hancock hit both to claim the gold medal and set yet another
- 12 Olympic record for the final; and
- 13 WHEREAS, he was recruited to join the United States Army as a 16-year-old shotgun
- 14 shooting star who won seven international competitions before completing basic training
- between his junior and senior years of high school; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Hancock is a World Champion, Pan American Games Champion, 2007 World
- 17 Cup Italy Champion and world record holder, World Clay Target Championship bronze
- 18 medalist, and now an Olympic Champion; and
- 19 WHEREAS, in recognition of his outstanding achievements, the United States Postal Service
- designed and released nationwide a cachet envelope with a collage of pictures honoring
- 21 Hancock; and
- 22 WHEREAS, it is only fitting and proper that he be honored by this body.

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23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that

- 24 the members of this body commend Spc. Vincent Hancock, United States Army, Olympic
- 25 gold medal winner from Putnam County, for his outstanding achievements and his service
- 26 to this nation and invite him to appear before the House on such date and at such time as to
- 27 be determined by the Speaker of the House.
- 28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Spc. Vincent Hancock.